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FM AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3175

INFO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

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BEIRUT FOR RSS, RMO

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: OFFICIAL VEHICLES

REF: STATE 066620

1. EMBASSY HAS SEVERAL QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE CARRYALL
(CA) MENTIONED IN REFTEL.

2. IF THE VEHICLE BELONGS TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT, AND IN
VIEW OF PROVISIONS OF 6 FAM 236.6-3, IS IT TO BE
CONSIDERED FOR EXCLUSIVE ASSIGNMENT TO THE MARINE SECURITY
GUARD DETACHMENT?

3. THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT AND THE MARINE
CORPS PROVIDES THAT THE DEPARTMENT WILL PROVIDE LOCAL
OFFICIAL TRANSPORTATION FOR THE MARINE SECURITY GUARD.
THE NCOIC HAS INDICATED THAT HE BELIEVES THAT THE MARINES
SHOULD BE PERMITTED TO DRIVE THE CA BI-MONTHLY TO BEIRUT,
LEBANON (ROUND TRIP APPROXIMATELY 140 MILES) AND QUARTERLY
TO ADANA, TURKEY (ROUND TRIP 800 MILES) FOR COMMISSARY
AND OTHER PURPOSES FOR THE MARINES (HE STATES THAT
MARINES REQUIRE MORE FOOD AND SUPPLIES THAN THE
AVERAGE EMBASSY FAMILY AND SHARING USE OF OUR BI-WEEKLY
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COURIER RUN TO BEIRUT WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF STAFF DOES

NOT MEET MARINE NEEDS) AND THAT ALL OPERATING COSTS SHOULD BE AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE. IS THIS TYPE OF USE OF THE CA PERMISSABLE?

4. CAN THE VEHICLE BE USED FOR R & R RECREATION TRIPS OUT OF COUNTRY, FOR EXAMPLE TO AMMAN, AQUABA, AND PETRA, JORDAN AND IF SO, ARE OPERATING EXPENSES TO BE AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE?

5. IN ORDER THAT PROCEDURES FOR THE USE OF THE VEHICLE MAY BE WORKED OUT PRIOR TO ITS ARRIVAL AND EARLY REPLY TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS PLUS ANY OTHER GUIDANCE THE DEPARTMENT MIGHT HAVE TO OFFER IS REQUESTED.
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